



Friday, July 31, 2020

COVID 19 TESTS DONE AT FORKS COMMUNITY HOSPITAL

# TESTED	879
# POSITIVE TESTS	15
# NEGATIVE TESTS	864
# TESTS PENDING	0
# TOTAL HOSPITALIZATIONS	0
# TOTAL COVID-19 DEATHS	0

COVID 19 VIRUS, CLALLAM COUNTY WIDE

# TESTED	8,676
# POSITIVE TESTS	97
# NEGATIVE TESTS	8,417
# TESTS PENDING	162
# TOTAL CURRENT HOSPITALIZATIONS	1
# TOTAL COVID-19 DEATHS	0
# RECOVERED ***Updated Weekly***	78

CLALLAM BAY CORRECTION CENTER INMATE NUMBERS	0 Positive COVID- 19 tests 0 Test pending
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Information Source: Clallam County Emergency Management (CCEM), DOC, and the Forks Community Hospital

News and Information

- The positive tests reported since Thursday, July 23, 2020 **appear to all be epidemiologically linked.**
- “With the number of positive cases going up in Forks we need to be even more careful, social distancing, masking and hand washing. However, if you think you have been exposed or develop symptoms -it is important to isolate yourself, and get tested. The only way to beat COVID is to not allow it to spread to others, especially the very vulnerable. So any symptoms- stay home, contact Bogachiel Clinic at 360.374.6998 #2 for further directions.” – Nikki Reed, RN, IP – Infection Prevention / Employee Wellness at Forks Community Hospital.
- Please see attached visitation information from Long Term Care or visit <https://www.forkshospital.org/covid-19-long-term-care-family-visitation-july-2020/>
- Long Term Residents can receive mail. If you would like to send cards or letters of encouragement please address them:
Forks Community Hospital
Attention: LTC Resident Mail
530 Bogachiel Way
Forks, WA 98331

General Health Question of the Day

- What does epidemiologically linked mean?
 - “Epidemiologically linked means-- the person has had contact with a known person who has the disease. So if patient A went to family reunion on Sunday and then started having symptoms on Wednesday, tested and was positive on Thursday- then anyone after that who also went to the reunion and tested positive for COVID would be linked to patient A”
 - Nikki Reed, RN, IP – Infection Prevention / Employee Wellness
 - “Epidemiologically linked means we know they were in close contact with recent positive cases and that is how they caught the virus. So these aren’t a bunch of new separate infections but rather infections that we anticipated.”
 - Allison Berry Unthank, MD MPH – Clallam County Health Officer
- If you have general health information questions, please send them to information@forkshospital.org. *No private medical information, please.*

Thank You

- We appreciate everyone that continues to partner with us in spreading information. We are grateful for the social media shares allowing a larger audience access to important information and assistance opportunities. Thank you to the individuals and businesses that print and post the updates. We are thankful for the continued generosity of our community as masks and material donations continue to come in. #ForksStrong

Assistance

- Pandemic EBT is a new emergency program for ALL children in grades K-12 in Washington who receive free or reduced price school meals. P-EBT is not subject to public charge and will not affect your immigration status. P-EBT provides families with funds to pay the cost of meals while schools are closed due to COVID-19. No interview is required. Apply by following this link <https://www.washingtonconnection.org/eapplication/home.go?action=Introduction&source=> or calling the Customer Service Center at 877-501-2233 from 8:00 am through 5:00 pm Monday through Friday.
- Here is a link to the 211 website for non-emergency assistance, as outlined in a separate information release: www.win211.org. If you would like to speak with a live person, call 833-492-0834.
- The Clallam County Hotline number is 360-417-2430.
- A toll free line has been established for those also in need. Whether child care, food or prescription delivery, mental health or any other need, people can call 1-833-492-0834 for referral to assistance.
- Forks Food Bank is located at 181 Bogachiel Way in Forks. The Food Bank is open Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm. P.O. Box 763 Forks, WA 98331
- Forks Food Bank has become the Northwest Harvest and Food Lifeline box distribution hub. Boxes arrive shortly before the food bank opens. For more information call 360.640.8211.
- The County Emergency Operations Center is operational Monday through Friday 8:30 am to 5:00 pm.
- Forks Abuse, located at 81 S 2nd Ave, Forks, WA has a food pantry outside and is accepting donations daily.
- The Caring Place has diapers available for families in need. Call 360.374.5010

Behavioral Health

- In response to COVID-19, Washington has launched Washington Listens, a support program and phone line to help people manage elevated levels of stress due to the pandemic. People who call the Washington Listens support line will speak with a support specialist and get connected to community resources in their area. The program is

anonymous. The Washington Listens support line is 1-833-681-0211. It is available from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. TTY and language access services are available by using 7-1-1 or their preferred method.

- ImHurting Crisis Chat is a service offered through Volunteers of America Western Washington. Their toll-free 24-hour crisis hotline number is 1-888-910-0416. The 24-hour crisis online chat is at www.imhurting.org.
- The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline number is 1-800-273-8255 and is available 24 hours a day
- West End Outreach Services continues to be open regular business hours. Our providers are offering all behavioral health services over the telephone so the community can continue to “Stay Home and Stay Safe.”
 - West End Outreach Services are available by phone at (360)374-5011
 - Monday and Friday from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm
 - Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 8:00 am to 6:00 pm